



# Keeping Community Strong

SUNSHINE COAST SERVICES DIRECTORY

FOR ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS

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# 1. ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITY GROUPS

## **H.O.P.E. – Helping Our People Engage Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation.**

**Address:** 3 Youth Ave, Nambour 4560  
(PCYC Complex)

**Phone:** 5441 4011

Indigenous Youth & Community Organisation

- Child Protection Worker
- Youth Worker
- Sport & Rec Officer

*HOPE provide Budget courses, Counselling Support, Family support, mentoring, Indigenous Community Support & Events, Drivers Education Class, NIAOTA (National Indigenous Academy of Theatrical Arts).*

## **Kabbarli Home and Community Care**

**Address:** 54B William Street  
Moffat Beach

**Phone:** 5491 8896

*Aged care program for elderly, infirm and young people with a disability. Kabbarli provide support with centre based respite, personal carer, transport, maintenance, domestic assistance and social support.*

## **MATSIC – Moolooloona Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corp**

**Address:** 24 Lawrence St  
Gympie 4570

**Phone:** 5481 1875

*MATSIC provide community services for indigenous families eg housing, education, health. Referrals made to appropriate organisations.*

## **North Coast Aboriginal Corporation for Community Health (NCACCH)**

**Head Office:** Suite 15/27 Evans St  
Maroochydore 4558

**Phone:** 5443 3599

**Gympie Office:** Shop 3, 54-56 River Rd  
Gympie 4570

**Phone:** 5483 6511

*NCACCH provides access to; Dental, physiotherapy, dietician/nutritionist, counselling, podiatry and GP's. Contact the office for referral within your area. Men's & Women's groups, Mums & Bubs program, Breast Screening & Well Persons Health Check Day.*

**Nungeena, Aboriginal Corporation for Women's Business**

**Address:** Streek Street  
Glass House Mountains  
**Phone:** 5496 9766

*Support and empower women and families through the rekindling of spiritual awareness, cultural heritage and pride.*

**Walpara - Sunshine Coast Young Brothers & Sisters Aboriginal Corporation**

**Address:** 44 Burnett St  
Mooloolaba 4557  
**Phone:** 5477 5468

Walpara support young people aged 12 – 25.

*Current programs include: Childbirth Education, Young mothers support group, Healthy eating habits, Mentoring Program, Also provide assistance and support for Murri Court (Sunshine Coast).*

## 2. ART, ARTISTS & PERFORMERS

### **Gubbi Gubbi Dance Troupe**

Phone/Fax: (07) 5472 7613

Web: [www.gubbigubbidance.com](http://www.gubbigubbidance.com)

Gubbi Gubbi Dance is a group of Traditional Custodians providing Indigenous art & performance.

*The Gubbi Gubbi Dance performers also are available for Traditional Welcomes, Cultural Heritage Tours and guest speaking regarding history of the Sunshine Coast.*

### **Brent Miller Art**

Mobile: 0415 484 749

*Gubbi Gubbi Dancer, traditional songwriter and artist available for Traditional Welcomes, Cultural Heritage Tours and cultural workshops.*

### **Joanne Currie**

Phone: 5438 1894 or  
0406 028 562.

*Joanne is from the Gunguri Language Group. This year Joanne was the winner of the Wynne Prize 2008 from Art Gallery NSW.*

*For a full range of Joanne's art works please contact Fireworks Gallery on 3216 1250.*

### **Arthur Conlan**

Phone: 5476 5817

Mobile: 0402 347 017

*Arthur shares his skills as an Aboriginal artist and mentor with presentations of Aboriginal life with schools and the wider community.*

### **Dilly Bag Bush Tucker Products**

Phone: 5485 1126

Web: [www.thedillybag.com.au](http://www.thedillybag.com.au)

E-mail: [info@thedillybag.com.au](mailto:info@thedillybag.com.au)

*Dale runs a wide range of Bush Tucker Workshops, Classes, and Demonstrations and is a well established professional Chef who is actively and personally involved in promoting Australian Bush Tucker to the world. Dale has opened the Gum Nut Bistro @ Pomona Bowls Club. Bush Tucker Workshops are arranged for Thursdays & Fridays 11.30am to 1.00pm, see website for more details and booking procedure.*

### 3. CENTRELINK

#### **Centrelink Offices**

**Caloundra:** 54 Canberra Tce  
**Gympie:** 27 O'Connell Street Gympie  
**Kawana:** Cnr Point Cartwright Drive  
& Nanyima St.  
**Maroochydore:** 5 Maud Street  
**Nambour:** Cnr Maud & Currie Street  
**Noosa:**  
Employment Bottlebrush Ave  
Retirement/families 97 Noosa Dr

#### **Abstudy**

**Phone:** 13 23 17

Providing financial support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who want to stay at school or go onto further studies. Available to parents of children aged from 13 years.

#### **Carer Allowance or Carer Payment**

**Phone:** 13 27 17

#### **Employment Services**

**Phone:** 13 28 50

#### **Family Assistance Office**

**Phone:** 13 61 50

#### **Indigenous Call Centre**

**Phone:** 13 63 80

#### **Self Service**

**Phone:** 13 62 40

#### **Youth & Student Services**

**Phone:** 13 24 90

#### **Indigenous Service Officer Sunshine Coast**

**Address:** 5 Maud Street  
Maroochydore

**Phone:** 5470 9784

**Mobile:** 0402 941 009

#### **Indigenous Service Officer Gympie**

**Address:** 27 O'Connell Street  
Gympie

**Phone:** 5481 0226

## 4. COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

### **Centacare Sunshine Coast**

**Address:** Unit 1 Denna St  
Maroochy Waters  
Professional Suites 4558

**Centacare host COMET – Community Minded Employment and Training Program**

**Target group for COMET – Women affected by domestic and family violence, including long term unemployed women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, women from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, younger and mature aged women. Living skills, job search skills and vocational skills.**

### **Coolum Community Centre**

**Address:** Jack Morgan Park  
Park Street, Coolum Beach

**Phone:** 5471 6655

*Coolum Community Centre provide Emergency relief, Mums Hub Playgroup, You are not alone days-Thursdays, Free Counselling Service. Coolum Community Centre is also a hub for the Family Relationship Centre and have several other groups that utilise the centre.*

### **Inclusion Support Agency, Sunshine Coast**

**Address:** Shop 1 4-6 Main St  
Palmwoods 4555 QLD

**Phone:** 5478 9200

**Web:** [www.isasunshinecoast.org.au](http://www.isasunshinecoast.org.au)

*ISA Sunshine Coast aims to build the capacity of childcare services to create an inclusive environment for all children and families that supports their well being and development. Support services to work in collaboration with families and support networks. Support services to develop, implement and sustain flexible inclusive practices. Assist services to engage in reflective, ongoing quality improvement of practices. Strengthen relationships by recognising and valuing the diversity of the community.*

### **Link-Up (QLD) Aboriginal Corporation**

**Nambour:** 5441 4724

**Brisbane:** (07) 3255 0855

**FREECALL:** 1800 200 855

**Email:** [contact@qld.link-up.org.au](mailto:contact@qld.link-up.org.au)

**Web:** <http://www.link-upqld.org.au>

*Link-Up (Qld) Aboriginal Corporation is dedicated to reuniting Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander People who, because of past government policies and practices, have experienced enforced separation from their families and communities through adoption, fostering, removal and/or institutionalisation. Link-Up provides counselling and support services before, during and after reunions in a culturally sensitive approach. Link-Up have based a Social & Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) Counsellor at Nambour to cater for the Nambour / Sunshine Coast region.*

### **Nambour Community Centre**

**Address:** 2 Shearer St, Nambour 4560

**INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT WORKER**

**Phone:** 0403 492 757

**LINK-UP SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL  
WELL BEING COUNSELLOR**

**Phone:** 5441 4724

### **NAMTEC**

**Address:** 31 Matthew St  
Nambour Community Centre

**Phone:** 5479 8444

Sunshine Coast's Youth Development and Training Centre.

*Namtec's aim is to assist young people's successful participation in society and place young people into education, employment or further training.*

### **United Synergies**

**Address:** 12-14 Ernest St  
Tewantin 4565

**Phone:** 5442 4277

*United Synergies has a well-established reputation as a provider of services to young people and their families including accommodation for young people, alternative education, youth support programs, suicide bereavement, mentoring, employment and training services, work experience, volunteer management, living skills, counselling and referral.*

## 5. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT

### **Centacare Sunshine Coast**

**Address:** Maroochy Waters  
Professional Suite  
1/8 Dennis Street  
Maroochydore 4558

**Phone:** 5479 4755

*Relationship Counselling, domestic violence counselling, perpetrator's group, victim and survivor's group, personal counselling, family therapy, adolescent counselling, children from 7 years up.*

### **Women's Information Service**

**Erin House Gympie**  
**Phone:** 5482 7973

*For women and children escaping domestic violence. Referral for accommodation for women who have suffered abusive relationship/family. Provide support and liaison with schools. Phone Police Station after hours (5480 1111)*

### **SCOPE – Suncoast Cooloola Outreach Prevention and Education**

Regional Domestic Violence Service

**Caloundra:** 5430 9300  
**Maroochydore:** 5430 9300  
**Noosa:** 5447 7747  
**Gympie:** 5483 5888 or  
0427627003

*Offer men's relationship program and domestic violence prevention program, women on the move support group, advocacy, education and community awareness raising. Programs offered at the following:*

### **Domestic Violence and Family Violence Hotline**

**Phone:** 1800 811 811

**Women and Family Refuges**

Accommodations for women who have suffered abusive, relationship/family support

**Lions Emergency**

**Phone:** 5441 3837

*Information and short term accommodation for families, and women and children in homeless situation including violence. Supported crisis accommodation houses in the community. Better Start Program.*

**Najidah Women's Refuge**

**Phone:** 5479 0394

**Web:** [www.najidah.org.au](http://www.najidah.org.au)

*Short term accommodation for women and accompanying children who are homeless as a result of domestic and family violence and have low security and support needs. Clients can address issues including accommodation, medical, emotional, legal, financial, and children's needs.*

**Noosa Shire Crisis Accommodation Service**

**Address:** 26 Doonella St  
Tewantin 4565

**Phone:** 5447 1184

*Provide short term accommodation for single parent families and families in need of assistance.*

**Sonshine Sanctuary Women's Refuge Referrals:**

From Police, DV Connect, Lifeline, Salvation Army, Careline and other community services. Sonshine Sanctuary supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women.

*A Christian Voluntary organisation assisting women and children in Domestic Violence situations. Provide information, transport, and emotional support when visiting doctors, solicitors, courts, DSS, counselling, or other welfare services.*

**Women Helping Women**

**Phone:** 5493 2736

*Accommodation for women and children escaping domestic violence.*

## 6. DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES

### **ATODS - Alcohol, Tobacco Other Drugs Service**

**Address:** Hospital Road – Nambour  
**Phone:** 5470 6869

*Counselling and therapy for individual, families  
and couples with alcohol and drug related  
problems*

### **QuiHN - Queensland Injectors Health Network**

**Address:** 59 Sixth Ave  
Cotton Tree  
**Phone:** 5443 9576

*Needle Syringe Program (NSP), Home detox,  
needle exchange, aids prevention, education,  
support and referral. Also Hep A, B and  
C sexual health information, support and  
education.*

### **Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Services**

*Therapeutic communities for people with  
alcohol, drug problems. Residential treatment.*

**Fairhaven – Gold Coast:** 5594 7288  
**Gambling Help Line:** 1800 632 763

**Lifeline Maroochydore**  
**Phone:** 5443 5366

### **Drug Arm CDP Sunshine Coast Court (& Police) Diversion Program**

**TEWANTIN - 12-14 Ernest Street**  
**Phone:** 5474 2350

**NAMBOUR - Centenary Square**  
**Phone:** 5476 7853

*Offers Assessment and Early Intervention  
Strategies for young people faced with court  
appearances due to drug issues.*

### **Support Groups**

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA):** 5476 2166

**Narcotics Anonymous:** 5441 7706

**Alateen:** 5479 6256

**Quitline:** 13 18 48

**Clean Needle Helpline (24 hr):**  
1800 633353

**Family Drug Support (24 hr):**  
1300 368 186

## 7. EDUCATION

### University of the Sunshine Coast

Address: 90 Sippy Downs  
Sippy Downs

Phone: 5430 1234

*Indigenous Student Services Officer*

Phone: 5459 4439 or  
5459 4799

E-mail: [indigenous\\_services@usc.edu.au](mailto:indigenous_services@usc.edu.au)

*The University of the Sunshine Coast brings a fresh approach and a strong commitment to the support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education.*

### Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE

General Enquiries: 5459 3555

*Indigenous Student Support Officer*

Phone: 0419 640 369

### Education Queensland Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Team

*Community Education Counsellor (CEC)*

Mobile: 0423 599 483

*Project Officer / Community*

*Partnership Officer*

Phone: 5451 2345

Mobile: 0427 029 074

### Blackman Educational Books & Consultancies

*Vanessa Stevens - Blackman*

Phone: 5441 6788

Mobile: 0419 274 128

Fax: 5441 6781

E-mail: [contact@blackmanbooks.com](mailto:contact@blackmanbooks.com)

Web: [www.blackmanbooks.com](http://www.blackmanbooks.com)

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## 8. GENERAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING QLD HEALTH

### **Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre**

**Address:** 85 - 91 Sugar Rd  
Maroochydore 4558  
**Phone:** 1800 059 059

*Respite for carers of aged, disabled, and mental health clients.*

### **Cultural Healing Program**

**Address:** Centenary Square Currie St  
Nambour 4560  
**Phone:** 5450 4700

*Service available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on the Sunshine Coast who are over 18 years and are experiencing a mental health problem: grief and loss, depression, stress, anger or confusion, emotional disturbance. The Indigenous Mental Health Program respects the uniqueness of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. A culturally appropriate service provision, in a holistic context, is the best means to help our Brothers, Sisters, Uncles, Aunties and Elders.*

### **Hospitals**

**Caloundra – West Tce:** 5436 8500  
**Maleny – Bean Street:** 5494 2208  
**Nambour – Hospital Road:** 5470 6600  
**Gympie – 12 Henry Street:** 5489 8444

### **Indigenous Health Program**

**Address:** Centenary Square Nambour  
PO Box 240 Nambour 4560  
**Phone:** 5450 4794

*The Indigenous Health Program provides a culturally appropriate range of services to the Indigenous community of the Sunshine Coast and Gympie Districts including Men's and Women's Health business, Annual pneumonia and flu immunisations and Eye health clinics.*

### **Indigenous Hospital Liaison Officer**

**Nambour General Hospital**  
**Phone:** 5470 6318

- Advice/counselling and support to Indigenous people and their families
- Education programs
- Support for people to identify and manage mental illness
- Advocacy and referral to other mainstream organisations
- Promotion of state and national initiatives like flu and pneumonia and all immunisation vaccinations, diabetes awareness etc.

**Indigenous Health Worker**

Gympie General Hospital

**Address:** Henry St, Gympie 4570**Phone:** 5489 8444

*Assist patients to access and understand Health Services. Liaise with medical practitioners, organise appointments, inform patients of rights and privacy, support ATSI patients in hospital situations. Liaise with housing agencies, Housing Commission, Government and non Government agencies, Police and Law enforcement agencies.*

**Jabba Jabba Immunisation Program****Phone:** 5450 4750

*Home vaccination program for Indigenous people. 'We are able to vaccinate anyone in the family, from newborn babies right through to elders.*

**Medicare Australia**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander access line

**FREE CALL:** 1800 556 955**NCACCH - North Coast Aboriginal Corporation for Community Health**

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Evans St  
Maroochydore 4558

**Phone:** 5443 3599

**Gympie Office:** Shop 3 54-56 River Rd  
Gympie, 4570

**Phone:** 5483 6511

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**Oral Health (Dental)****Caloundra – West Tce** 1300 300 850**Nambour – Hospital Road** 1300 300 850  
or 5470 6758**Gympie – Henry Street** 5483 7380**SCHOOL DENTAL CLINICS:****Caloundra School** 5491 1311**Nambour School** 5441 2763**Gympie School** 5483 7380**Noosa School** 5449 5900**Kawana School** 5493 2327**Maroochydore School** 5443 3929

## 9. HOUSING

### **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing**

**Phone:** 1800 017 921

### **Department of Housing Queensland**

**Address:** 96 Memorial Ave  
Maroochydore

**Phone:** 5475 9700

*Public rental housing, bond loans, rental grants.*

### **Sunshine Coast Regional Housing Council INC.**

**Address:** 15 Sydney St  
Nambour 4560

**Phone:** 5451 2900

*Telephone tenants advice 9.00 am – 2.00 pm  
Mon to Thurs.*

### **Kabi Kabi Aboriginal Corporation**

**Address:** PO Box 104  
Maroochydore 5448

**Phone:** 5479 2766

*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander service for housing. Low cost rental (long waiting list).*

### **Indigenous Business Australia**

Home ownership program

**Address:** AXA Buliding  
Level 12 144 Edward St  
Brisbane

**Phone:** 1300 648 72

**Mobile:** 0417 763 284

**Email:** gerry.jones@iba.gov.au

*IBA Home loans are available to Indigenous Australians and their spouse/partner who want to buy an affordable home in which to live. Indigenous Australians living in urban or regional centres or towns seeking to buy a home on freehold land can apply for one of IBA's standard home loan products.*

## 10. LEGAL SERVICES

### **Caloundra Murri Court**

*Alan Ebert - Murri Court Co-ordinator*

**Address:** Magistrates Court  
3 Gregson Place  
**Mail:** PO Box 250,  
Caloundra 4551  
**Phone:** 5420 9000

### **Department of Child Safety**

**Address:** 15 Beach Rd  
Maroochydore 4558  
**Phone:** 5453 1888

### **Suncoast Care Group**

For Prisoners and Families  
(Friends at Court)

**Address:** Level 1/Court House  
Cornmeal Parade  
Maroochydore  
**Phone:** 5443 7439

*Support for families of prisoners, visiting service, also support for people facing court proceedings. Weekend Brisbane Prison transport. For transport assistance to Brisbane and Woodford Prisons, contact Bill 0439937202.*

### **Indigenous Legal Hotline**

**Phone:** 1300 650 143

### **Legal Aid Queensland (24 hrs)**

**Address:** 3rd Floor  
Cnr The Esplanade  
& 2nd Avenue  
Maroochydore  
**Phone:** 1300 651 188

Family law, domestic violence, consumer protection, criminal injuries, compensation, anti-discrimination and youth issues

### **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Legal and Advocacy Service**

**Address:** 37 Balaclava St  
Woolloongabba 4102  
**Phone:** 07 3392 3177  
1800 442 480

Free legal advice. Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service.

**Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders  
Corporation for Legal Services (24hrs)**

Phone: 1800 012 255 or  
5452 7633

Web: [www.atsils.com.au](http://www.atsils.com.au)

*Legal representation to Aboriginal and Torres  
Strait Islanders*

**Lifeline Community Care Sunshine Coast**

Address: 37 Duporth Ave  
Maroochydore

Phone: 5479 1600

*Mediation service for couples who are  
separating and/or divorcing. Issues for  
mediation will include parenting arrangement  
for children, child support and property  
settlement.*

## 11. MEN'S RELATIONSHIPS

**Mensline (24hr service)**

Phone: 1300 789 978

*Counselling and referral for all men and their  
families on relationship, health, family and  
domestic violence*

**Men's Relationship**

Phone: 5479 5911

*Domestic and Family violence services for a  
safer community*

**Men & Family Relationships Program**

Lifeline Sunshine Coast

**MAROOCHYDORE**

Address: 37 Duporth Avenue

Phone: 5443 5366

**GYMPIE**

Address: 10 Channon Street

Phone: 5482 7742

**Men's Refuges**

Oznam House – St Vincent De Paul

Address: 13-15 Lamington Tce  
Nambour 4560

Phone: 5441 7468

*Short term accommodation for men with  
Centrelink referral. Basic breakfast, evening  
meal and cut lunch at low cost. Register  
6pm daily and vacate 8am daily. Emergency  
accommodation only.*

## 12. MENTAL HEALTH

### **Cultural Healing Program**

Indigenous Mental Health

**Address:** Centenary Square  
Currie Street, Nambour 4560

**Phone:** 5450 4700

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### **Sunshine Coast Community Adult Mental Health**

– Community Assessment and Treatment Team (CATT)

**Address:** 100 Sixth Ave  
Maroochydore

**New Referrals:** 1300 767 155

**General Inquiries:**

Maroochydore	5459 6900
Nambour	5450 4700
Gympie	5489 8777

## 13. OTHER LINKS

### Community and Personal Histories Unit

**Address:** Albert Street, Brisbane  
**Phone:** 1800 650 230

*The Community and Personal Histories Unit assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with finding state government records about themselves and their communities.*

The unit can assist you with information about:

- Your family history
- How you and your mob are connected to a certain place
- Local and community history

### Indigenous Community Volunteers

**Freecall:** 1800 819 542  
**Web:** [www.icv.com.au](http://www.icv.com.au)

*An organisation that links Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, organisations, businesses, families and individuals with skilled volunteers. ICV works in partnership with Indigenous communities to provide access to the skills and knowledge that communities request.*

### The Dreaming

Australia's International Indigenous Festival

**Phone:** 5496 1066  
**Web:** [www.thedreamingfestival.com](http://www.thedreamingfestival.com)

### NAIDOC – National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee

**Web:** [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au)

### Dilly Bag Bush Tucker Products

**Phone:** 5485 1126  
**Web:** [www.dillybag.com.au](http://www.dillybag.com.au)

### Environmental

**HAND E. SEEDS**  
**Phone:** 5494 2889  
**ABN:** 498 230 847 74

*Offering services in property management advice, pest management, revegetation, regeneration, seed collection, propagation, as well as educational, cultural or historical presentations, or guided tours.*

## 14. POLICE STATION & COURT HOUSES

### Police Stations

Beerwah – Beerwah Road:	5436 5222
Caloundra – Bulcock Street:	5439 4444
Coolum Beach – David Low Way:	5446 1877
Kawana Waters – Nicklin Way:	5493 7100
Maroochydore – Cornmeal Pde:	5475 2444
Nambour – Currie Street:	5441 2111
Noosa – Langura Street:	5447 5888
Gympie – 30 Channon Street:	5482 8697
Palmwoods – Margaret Street:	5445 0749

### Court Houses

Caloundra:	5420 9000
Maroochydore:	5470 8111
Nambour:	5470 8755
Noosa:	5473 8400

## 15. YOUTH

### Department of Communities Youth Justice Service Centre

Program Development Officer  
Sunshine Coast Region - Service  
Directorate

Phone: 5470 9460

### IFYS - Intergrated Family and Youth Services

Address: Management and  
Administration  
3 Technology Drive  
Warana 4575

Phone: 5438 800

INDIGENOUS OFFICER

Phone: 5438 3008

Mobile: 0437 932 764

*IFYS provide a range of specialist support and intervention programs for young people and families. IFYS has cluster programs including; finance and communications, accommodation services, child protection and support services and early intervention programs.*

## 15. YOUTH CONTINUED

### **NAMTEC**

Sunshine Coast's Youth Development and Training Centre

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**Phone:** 5441 1559

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**In traditional Aboriginal society riddles were occasionally asked as a method of learning and sharing wisdom. This story was told to Gaiburu when he was young.**

## A LASTING AND USEFUL GIFT

“Two old women of the tribe, who were camped around the one fire, were talking together and trying to make up their minds as to what they could leave as a lasting gift to their descendants. They talked for a long time and thought of many things, but each was something that would soon perish. And so, on and on they argued and nothing satisfied them.

The next day a young man from a neighboring tribe approached the camp, and after asking for the leading man, enquired whether he had there an old woman who had formerly belonged to his tribe. If so, he wished to take her back with him. The leader immediately pointed out one of the old women in our story, and asked her if she would be willing to go along with the stranger. The old woman agreed and off she went, leaving the matter of the gift still undecided.

Some time later, when a corroboree was due to be held at the Dungidau camp, men of the nearby tribe came back, bringing the old woman with them. The old woman sought out her former companion and, remembering their talk, asked her if she had been able to make up her mind on the gift. The other woman replied that she hadn't been able to think of anything. Can you?”

The answer to the riddle was a pathway or track, which everyone could use and be grateful for.

**Robin Wells, 1960, “*In the Tracks of a Rainbow*”**

**This story relates to this services booklet. It's a pathway for our people and other Australians. A pathway to services that will enhance our lives. This book is a gift for all to use.**



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